

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to S. Res. 212, Women's Suffrage Centennial.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3171–S3221

Measures Introduced: Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1703–1716, and S. Res. 228–230. **Page S3215**

Measures Reported:

S. Con. Res. 15, expressing support for the designation of October 28, 2019, as “Honoring the Nation’s First Responders Day”. (S. Rept. No. 116–43)

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Measures Passed:

Enrollment Correction: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 45, directing the Clerk of the House to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 2157.

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Women’s Suffrage Centennial Commemorative Coin Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1235, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of ratification of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, giving women in the United States the right to vote, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S3197–98**

Blackburn (for Barrasso) Amendment No. 251, to add Esther Hobart Morris to a list of suffrage activists. **Pages S3197–98**

D-Day 75th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 135, expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the Senate for the acts of heroism and valor by the members of the United States Armed Forces who participated in the June 6, 1944, amphibious landing at Normandy, France, and commending those individuals for leadership and bravery in an operation that helped bring an end to World War II.

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Honoring Former Senator Thad Cochran: Senate agreed to S. Res. 229, relative to the death of the Honorable William Thad Cochran, former United States Senator for the State of Mississippi. **Page S3200**

Women’s Suffrage Centennial: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 212, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage and ratification of the 19th Amendment, providing for women’s suffrage, to the Constitution of the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to by a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 132). **Page S3200**

Senior Corps: Senate agreed to S. Res. 230, recognizing the significant milestone of Senior Corps volunteers serving 50,000,000 hours in 2018.

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Schenker Nomination—Cloture: By 83 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. EX. 134), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of David Schenker, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Near Eastern Affairs). **Page S3201**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, June 5, 2019, Senate resume consideration of the nomination, as under the order of Monday, June 3, 2019. **Page S3221**

Tarbert Nomination—Cloture: By 82 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. EX. 135), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

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Tarbert Nomination—Cloture: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. **Pages S3201–02**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 83 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. EX. 136), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Combs, Holte, Alston, and Hertling Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Susan Combs, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at 1:45 p.m., on Wednesday, June 5, 2019; that following disposition of the nomination of Susan Combs, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Ryan T. Holte, of Ohio, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, Rossie David Alston, Jr., of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Richard A. Hertling, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, in the order listed; and that if cloture is invoked on those nominations, the votes on confirmation of the nominations occur at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 77 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. EX. 133), Andrew M. Saul, of New York, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2025.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—136) Pages S3200–02

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator William Thad Cochran, in accordance with S. Res. 229, at 7:43 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 5, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3221.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christopher J. Scolese, to be Director of the National Reconnaissance Office, who was introduced by Senator Van Hollen, and General John W. Raymond, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander, United States Space Command and Commander, Air Force Space Command, who was introduced by Senator Gardner, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

THREATS FROM CHINA

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine confronting threats from China, focusing on assessing controls on technology and investment and measures to combat opioid trafficking, including S. 846, to amend title 49, United States Code, to limit certain rolling stock procurements, S. 937, to direct the Secretary of Commerce to require institutions of higher education and other research facilities to obtain deemed export licenses for foreign nationals conducting scientific research at such institutions and facilities, S. 945, to amend the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 to require certain issuers to disclose to the Securities and Exchange Commission information regarding foreign jurisdictions that prevent the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board from performing inspections under that Act, and S. 1044, to impose sanctions with respect to foreign traffickers of illicit opioids, after receiving testimony from Kevin Wolf, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer and Feld LLP, Washington, D.C.; Scott Kennedy, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Falls Church, Virginia; and Richard Nephew, Columbia Center on Global Energy Policy, New York, New York.

GRID-SCALE ENERGY STORAGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine opportunities for the expanded deployment of grid-scale energy storage in the United States, after receiving testimony from George Crabtree, Director, Argonne National Laboratory Joint Center for Energy Storage Research, Department of Energy; F. Mitchell Davidson, Brookfield Renewable, New York, New York; Ben Fowke, Xcel Energy Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota; Kiran Kumaraswamy, Fluence, Arlington, Virginia, on behalf of the Energy Storage Association; and Andrew